GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LAW AND JUSTICE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:7302
ANSWERED ON:13.05.2005
SUPERANNUATION RETIREMENT AGE FOR POLITICIANS
Joshi Shri Pralhad Venkatesh

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that the Chief Election Commissioner recently in one of his speeches has expressed the view of bringing legislation for candidates contesting elections;

(b) if so, whether the Government proposes to amend the Representation of People Act, 1951 to fix superannuation retirement age for politicians for contesting elections;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI H.R. BHARDWAJ)

(a) and (b): No, Sir. The Government has not received any formal proposal from the Election Commission of India for amendment in the law regarding superannuation retirement age for politicians for contesting elections. No such proposal is also under consideration of the Government.

(c) and (d): Do not arise.